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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration in the above-identified application. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, copies of any cited foreign patent documents and non-patent documents are enclosed.

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- ☐ [] The undersigned counsel for applicant(s) hereby certifies each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.
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- ☐ [] A copy of a Search Report from a corresponding foreign patent application is enclosed..
- ☐ [] A check in the amount of \$180 to cover the required fee is enclosed.
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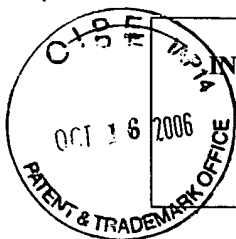
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	Battleship Advertisement, printed from www.mikohn.com , on April 25, 2001.
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	Take Your Pick Article (IGT), written by Strictly Slots, published in 2001.
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	Top Dollar Game Advertisement, written by IGT, published in 1998.
	Wild Bear Salmon Run Advertisement written by IGT, published in 2003.
	Wild Streak Article, written by Strictly Slots, published in 2001.
	Your Real Key to Gaming Success Advertisement (including Roll Over Beethoven and Wild Fortune), written by Olympic Video Gaming, published prior to 2005.

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